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TORPEDOING OF GULFLIGHT CREATES GRAVE SITUATION

DRINK QUESTION THREATENS TO DIVIDE PEOPLE OF ENGLAND

Indiscriminate Calling of Workmen Drunkards Has Aroused Their Ire and They Demand Reprisals---Are Deserting Government Employ and May Call a General Strike

[By United Press]
LONDON, May 3.—England is divided against itself as a result of the drink agitation. The action of high government officials in indiscriminately labeling all British workmen as drunkards has aroused indignation and many threaten reprisals. Admiral Jellicoe, commander of the British fleet said: "Drink is delaying repair work to destroyers and patrol boats and the crews of many transports are deserting bodily in order to get drunk." Some threaten a general strike and the situation is regarded as critical.

Aeroplane Visits Dover

[By United Press]
LONDON, May 3.—A German aeroplane flew over Dover today, but was driven off.

More Steamers Sunk

[By United Press]
LONDON, May 3.—The Norwegian steamers Laila and Baldwin have been torpedoed and sunk. The crews of both were saved.

SETTLEMENT OF WAR THIS YEAR BELIEVED IMPOSSIBLE

[By United Press]
NEW YORK, May 3.—Roy Howard, president of the United Press association, returned today after a three months' tour of England, Germany, France, Belgium, Russia and Italy. He said that Europe fully recognizes the war has developed something new in history, and the siege of a nation has resolved itself into an endurance contest of indeterminate length. It is generally believed that peace during the year 1915 will be impossible. America will eventually be offered opportunity as a peacemaker.

Stories by Press Correspondent With Army In Northern France

Note—Following is the second of the stories in the Shepherd series, the first of which appeared Saturday, William G. Shepherd, United States Press staff correspondent, is the only American representing an individual American press organization, now at the British front under official cre-appear tomorrow.

[By William G. Shepherd, United Press staff correspondent. Copyrighted, 1915, by the United Press. Copyright in Great Britain.]

With the British Army in Northern France, April 17, by mail to New York.—A mile back from Neuve Chapelle we got out of our automobile. On our left was a farmhouse with the roof blown off, on our right a wayside shrine, the floor covered with straw, on which soldiers sleep at the foot of the shrine.

An English colonel takes the three of us in tow.

"We'll go in twos," he said. "Keep your distance apart. They never shell a couple of men, but if they see four of us together, they might try to drop a shell on us."

We plunge along through the mud of the road.

"They shelled this building we're passing half an hour ago," exclaims the colonel. The building in question has been shelled daily for many days; its roof is almost gone. I hear a man whistling in the building.

"That's the cook," says the colonel. "He's gone into the kitchen where there's a sink to wash his dishes."

Sure enough, there stands the cook in khaki; you can see him through a small hole in the brick wall. He is working and whistling the English Tommy's latest song, "Goodbye, Polly, I Must Leave You."

We pass three ruined farms. In

the yard of one hyacinths are blooming at the doorway of the roofless house.

"Now over across this farm," says the colonel, and we turn off the road and follow a broad, beaten path. This path is going to be written down in history some time. It was beaten down by the feet of the British soldiers who marched to the trenches that night of March 24 and waited until the signal was given in the morning to rush the trenches that spread before the village of Neuve Chapelle.

Frederic Villiers, who has drawn sketches in sixteen wars and is now in his eventeenth, stops to make a sketch.

"If you don't mind," said the colonel quietly, "we won't stop here. There's a house ahead of us there and we can step behind that."

"Why are the Germans near here?" said Villiers.

"They're right over there," says the officer. But he doesn't hurry us on. He's used to it, but it's hard to follow his conversation. He asks way the American military attaches were withdrawn from Germany. I have to ask him to repeat his question; I can't keep my eyes off the trees a mile away, and it is hard to keep my mind on American military attaches and their problems. That house ahead will hide us from the trees and there is nothing to keep us from running to it, except the colonel is chatting very coolly and striding along at an ordinary gait.

The trouble about this war is that you never know you are on a battlefield until someone who knows about it tells you so. The English artillery is booming behind us, the shells drill

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Regarded as Most Serious Incident Since War Began---German Embassy So Far Makes No Attempt to Defend Action of Submarine ---President Wilson Will Probably Take Entire Charge of the Matter

[By United Press]
WASHINGTON, May 3.—President Wilson arrived in the capital this morning at 9:50. He declined to comment on the torpedoing of the American tanker Gulflight by a German submarine in the North Sea. It is expected he will take personal charge of the matter. The situation is extremely grave and the incident is regarded as more serious than the sinking of the ship William Frye or Leon Thrasher's death aboard the Falda.

Situation Grave

[By United Press]
WASHINGTON, May 3.—The torpedoing of the Gulflight has created the gravest situation since the beginning of the war the state department admits. The German embassy, usually quick to defend the actions of its government, refused to comment on the sinking of the Gulflight or the aerial attack on the Cushing. Secretary Bryan was non-committal. The German excuse will probably prevent the Gulflight's oil reaching the Allies. The attack on the Cushing will be hard to condone, as her name and nationality were painted conspicuously on both sides. The state department has instructed Ambassador Gerard to inform Germany of the aviator's attack on the Cushing and demand more details.

Details of Attack

LONDON, May 3.—The American oil tank steamer Gulflight, which sailed from Port Arthur, Texas, April 10th for Rouen, France, was torpedoed at noon on Saturday off the Sicily Islands, according to a dispatch received by the Central News Agency.

Captain Dies of Heart Failure

The captain of the Gulflight, according to the same advices, died of heart failure as a result of shock. Two seamen jumped overboard and were drowned. The other members of the crew were taken off by a patrol boat and landed. The vessel was towed into Crow sound and beached.

The Gulflight was a steel vessel of 3,202 tons net an was built at Camden, N. J., in 1914. She was owned by the Gulf Refining company. The vessel was 383 feet long, 51 feet beam and 30 feet deep. She was equipped with wireless telegraphy apparatus.

Will Demand Report

[By United Press]
WASHINGTON, May 3.—Secretary Bryan has announced the state department will demand of Germany a report on the Gulflight torpedoing.

BARNES UNEXPECTEDLY CALLED UPON TO TESTIFY IN CASE

[By United Press]
SRACUSE, May 3.—Wm. Barnes was unexpectedly called as a witness by Roosevelt's attorneys today to produce the financial record of his Albany journey and show where the

proceeds of the state printing contracts went. His examination was postponed until tomorrow. Walter Arndt, a reporter, testified that Barnes declared to him that Murphy requested the Tammany-Republican alliance to beat the direct primaries.

Medical Examiners Are In Session

For the purpose of examining a number of medics who are desirous of practicing their profession in this state, the Nevada State Board of Medical examiners is in session today in the assembly chamber at the Capitol building. Among the members of the board present are Dr. P. J. Mangan of Winnemucca, Dr. J. A. Lewis of Reno, Dr. E. S. Grigsby of Tonopah and Dr. S. L. Lee of this city.

Quite a number of applicants presented themselves for the purpose of examination, among the number being Dr. Albert L. Howard of San Francisco, Dr. John F. Lagan of San Francisco, Dr. Bernard Aronchik of San Francisco, Dr. Ella M. Caryl of Los Angeles, Dr. A. Marst Tuttle of Los Angeles and Dr. Edward K. Hirsch of Louisiana.

The board expects to be in session about three days.

Will Be Operated On

In the care of John J. Mullin, secretary of the Industrial Insurance commission, Dorothy Bartlett was taken to San Francisco a few days ago to be operated on for a nasal trouble, which has annoyed her for some time past. The little miss is now with her grandmother, Mrs. L. A. Gates in the city.

KAISER AND PRINCE VISIT FORTIFICATIONS AT ANTWERP

Also Inspect Submarine Yards, But News of Their Arrival Is Suppressed for Fear of Attracting Attention of "Assassins"---Two More British Trawlers Sunk

[By United Press]
AMSTERDAM, May 3.—The kaiser and Prince Henry of Prussia have recently inspected the fortifications and submarine yards at Antwerp, but the newspapers kept silence lest the news attract Belgian assassins.

Trawlers Sunk

[By United Press]
ABERDEEN, May 3.—Submarines have sunk the British trawlers Mercury and Mark Ban, the crews arriving here in lifeboats. Three other trawlers fled from the submarines and escaped.

Will Enter Protest

[By United Press]
STOCKHOLM, May 3.—Shippers have demanded that the government vigorously protest the torpedoing and sinking of the Swedish steamer Elida on Saturday. Sixteen men and three women escaped in lifeboats. The Elida sank in three minutes after being attacked.

RUSSIANS IN WEST GALICIA DEFEATED BY AUSTRO-GERMANS

[By United Press]
BERLIN, May 3.—It is announced the German-Austrian armies everywhere have crushed the Russians in Western Galicia and heavy losses were inflicted. Their defeat extended from the Vistula and Donajec rivers to the Hungarian frontier. Seventeen hundred prisoners have been taken on the western front and it is declared Fortuna has been captured. The Epinal railway station and airship shed have been bombarded by the Germans.

THE WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF

[By United Press]
MINEOLA, Long Island, May 3.—Mrs. Florence Carman's second trial on the charge of murdering Mrs. Louise Bailey began today. It is alleged she was jealous of Mrs. Bailey and shot her through a window of Dr. Carman's office. Mrs. Carman entered the court this morning, fashionably gowned and calm. In her first trial the jury disagreed, standing 11 to 1 for acquittal.

[By United Press]
SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—Louis Markin, an alleged negro counterfeiter, who battled with a posse in Sutro forest, has been identified as the bandit who shot Motorman Carman and Conductor Garrabaldi on a San Mateo car, early in April.

[By United Press]
REDDING, May 3.—J. W. Anderson, a Swedish miner living at Kenet, was killed by a train this morning. His body was found on the track with legs and head severed. He was identified by a receipt found in his pocket.

[By United Press]
SACRAMENTO, May 3.—The final hearing in the impeachment case against Judge Childs will take place tonight, following which attorneys will begin argument. The opinion prevails that the prosecution failed to establish sufficient grounds for impeachment.

[By United Press]
NEW YORK, May 3.—D. W. Griffith and H. E. Aitkin, managers of the film play "The Birth of a Nation," appeared in court today for a hearing to decide whether or not the portrayal of the film may continue.

[By United Press]
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